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**LOCAL DAR AND SAR CHAPTERS WILL CELEBRATE CONSTITUTION WEEK
WITH BELLS ACROSS AMERICA CEREMONY ON SEPTEMBER 17, 2016**

September 17 marks the 230th Anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States. As a result of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) petitioning President Dwight Eisenhower in 1956, September 17 - 23 is designated Constitution Week and September 17 is designated Constitution Day.

The event is intended to promote citizens' responsibilities for protecting and defending the Constitution, preserving it for the future; reminding the people that the Constitution is the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life. The DAR encourages the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution in September 1787.

To celebrate this important week, the Asa Underwood DAR Chapter, the Cradle of Texas Chapter Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), the City of West Columbia, The Brazoria Historical Militia and other groups will be joining citizens from coast to coast in ringing Bells Across America. The Ceremony begins at 2:30 p.m., local time. The bell ringing will take place at 3:00 p.m. This is to coincide with bells ringing across America when communities will be coordinating their bell ringing ceremonies to take place at the same time on September 17.

The bell ringing ceremony will be held at the First Capitol Building Replica located at 512 East Brazos Street, in West Columbia, Texas. All citizens of Brazoria County are welcome to join in the Celebration.